

# STOCKS, BONDS, COTTON, GRAIN

## FLUCTUATIONS IN STOCKS ARE WIDE

These Conditions Served Purpose of Professionals Better Than Lethargy.

## HILL STOCKS TAKE A DROP

Small Dividend the Cause. Weakness in C. & O. Following Report.

NEW YORK, October 8.—Fluctuations in prices of stocks were quite wide to-day, and the purposes of the professional traders were thus better served than in the lethargic market which has prevailed for several days. The drawback was that the fluctuations became rather feverish and erratic, making it difficult even for the room-traders to take advantage of opportunities. The Hill stocks abruptly declined when it became known that Northern Pacific was getting its regular quarterly 1-3-4 per cent. and no more. Their strength earlier had only partly offset the heavy tone in the general list, which was inclined to react from the sharp advance after yesterday of its own weight. The reactionary tendency was emphasized by the weakness in Chesapeake and Ohio following the publication of its annual report, showing only a nominal surplus less than for the year. Results after special appropriations and the payment of the 1 per cent. dividend on the stock. The maintained firmness of the money market was a restraint on any speculative ventures. The whole market in fact, in extreme bullishness again in the day. Bonds were irregular. Total sales par value, \$114,000. United States 4's declined 1-4 per cent. on call.

NEW YORK, October 8.—Money on call strong; 5/8 per cent. ruling rate, 6 per cent. closing bid, 6 1/2 per cent. offered. Time loans very dull and firm; sixty days, 6 per cent.; ninety days, 6 1/2 per cent.; six months, 6 1/2 per cent.; sterling exchange, 100/10; with actual business in bankers' bills \$1.41, \$1.40, \$1.39, for demand, and \$1.82, \$1.81, \$1.80, for sixty day bills. Commercial bills, \$1.82. Bar silver, 65. Mexican dollars, 50-55. Government bonds easy. Railroad bonds irregular.

## RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Richmond, Va., October 8, 1907.	Bid.	Asked.
North Carolina 4s, R. 1907.	99	99
Va. 2s, Old, C. & R. 1907.	88	89 1/2
Va. 2s, New, C. & R. 1907.	89 1/2	90
Railroad Bonds.		
A. C. L. R. Co. Tr. 4 p. c. 1907.	88	89
Georgia Pac. 1st 6 p. c. 1907.	102	103
Georgia, Sou. and Fla. 1907.	105	106
3a. and Ala. Co. 1907.	101	102
Ches. and West. Ry. 1907.	95 1/2	96
Norfolk and West. 1907.	95 1/2	96
Western N. C. 1st 5 p. c. 1914.	104	105
Railroad Stocks.		
Atlantic Coast Line 1907.	100	101
Piedmont 1907.	100	101
Ches. and Ohio 1907.	100	101
Ches. and West. 1907.	100	101
Norfolk and West. 1907.	100	101
Western N. C. 1st 5 p. c. 1914.	104	105
BANK AND TRUST CO. STOCKS.		
American National 1907.	135	136
First National 1907.	100	101
Merchants National 1907.	100	101
National Bank of Va. 1907.	100	101
Norfolk State 1907.	100	101
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Va. Car. Chem. 1907.	95 1/2	96

## BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

BALTIMORE, Md., October 8.—Seaboard Air Line common and preferred—Nothing doing.

## COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, October 8.—The cotton market was nervous today with a decline of 1 1/2 points. Sales for the day were estimated at 24,000 bales. The opening was steady at an advance of 1 1/2 points and during the early session the market sold up to a net advance of 1 1/2 points, led by the December contract. The market then declined, but receipts, firmer cables and less favorable weather reports. There was a good deal of trading in the advance, and the market closed, 1 1/2 points higher, with which had sold 10 points over January during the early session, dropping to a premium of about 6 points. The Western half of the market was firmer, and the Eastern half, calling for colder weather and frost in Oklahoma, showed the later months more firm. The market was steady, but fluctuations were irregular and comparatively narrow, and the close was within a point or two of the opening. Private wires from Memphis reported damage to the grade from rains. Southern spot markets, as officially reported, were unchanged to 5c higher. Receipts at the ports to-day were 53,487 bales against 47,167 last week and 43,362 the week before. The week's total was 247,597 bales against 244,541 last week. To-day's receipts at New Orleans 10,240 bales against 9,057 last week, and at Houston 12,776 bales against 12,756 last week. Cotton, quiet; middling, 11 1/2; gross receipts, 1,447 bales; stock, 161,504 bales; export to the Continent, 100 bales. Total to-day at all ports—Net receipts, 47,167 bales; export to Great Britain, 10,240 bales; to the Continent, 2,567 bales; to Mexico, 200 bales; stock, 161,504 bales. Consolidated to all ports, net receipts, 115,221 bales; export to Great Britain, 11,150 bales; to the Continent, 20,565 bales; to Mexico, 200 bales. Total since September 1st at all ports—Net receipts, 52,005 bales; export to Great Britain, 214,666 bales; to the Continent, 74,265 bales; to Mexico, 200 bales. To-day's receipts at New Orleans 10,240 bales against 9,057 last week, and at Houston 12,776 bales against 12,756 last week.

## CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, October 8.—Profit-taking on a liberal scale offset to-day heavy exports and higher prices at the principal European grain centers and caused a steady tone in the market when wheat market closed. The quotations on the December delivery were off 1/2 c. Corn was up 1/2 c. Oats showed a gain of 1/2 c. Provisions were higher. Leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec.	1.07 1/2	1.07 3/4	1.07 1/2	1.07 3/4
Jan.	1.07 1/2	1.07 3/4	1.07 1/2	1.07 3/4
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